

STANDARDS PRESENTATION
TO
CALIFORNIA OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH STANDARDS BOARD

Attachment No. 1

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PROPOSED STATE STANDARD,
TITLE 8, CHAPTER 4

Amend Section 4543 to read as follows:

§ 4543. Guarding of Meat Cutting Band Saw Blades.

- (a) All portions of the saw blade shall be guarded, except that portion between the bottom of the guide rolls and the table.
- (b) A guard for the portion of the blade between the sliding guide and the upper-saw-wheel guard shall be provided which will protect the saw blade at the front and outer side. This portion of the guard shall be self-adjusting easily hand adjustable by the saw operator, without the use of any tools, to raise and lower with the guide.
- (1) The adjustable saw blade guard shall be designed and manufactured so that the guard is capable of reaching the saw table.
- (2) The guard must be adjusted as close as possible to the table without interfering with the movement of the material being cut.
- (c) Pusher plates shall be used to hold the cut of meat against the gauge plate when slicing short ends to prevent the hands from nearing the cutting edge of the saw blade.
- (d) Saw wheels shall be fully guarded.

NOTE: Authority cited: Section 142.3, Labor Code. Reference: Section 142.3, Labor Code.